

MINES, MILLS AND LEASES AT CAMP OF MANHATTAN

Another Week of Progress and Production at the Gold Camp to the North
---Brightest Prospects In Its History.

(From the Manhattan Post.)

RICH STRIKE ON BIG PINE.

The Kelly lease on the Big Pine caused great excitement yesterday by yielding some wonderfully rich dirt. The shaft is down 55 feet and for the entire distance has shown values varying from \$6 to \$35 a ton. Yesterday, in mucking out, the fine dirt was found to be full of coarse gold and rough nuggets the size of wheat kernels. This gold is supposed to come from small stringers, one of which was located and is nearly half gold. The discovery has caused the leasers to resume sinking with redoubled enthusiasm.

The White Caps Mining and Leasing company, owning a lease on the What Cap 1 and 2, the property of the Dexter White Caps Mining company, completed this week a milling of 392 tons of ore at the War Eagle mill that will return the company nearly \$20,000. Owing to the peculiar nature of the ore the gold is not free and none was recovered on the amalgamating plates, so that no bullion returns are obtainable, and the actual results are received from the zinc precipitates shipped to Selby & Co. at San Francisco. The result of conveyor-belt samples, assayed by the mill company and checked for the leasers by N. M. Simons, showed an average value of \$49.88 a ton, making a total of \$19,552, less the usual small loss in treatment. The White Caps lease gives promise of becoming one of the great producers of the camp.

The incline shaft sunk on the ore to a depth of 87 feet showed the vein to be from 4 to 6 feet wide. On the 80-foot level a drift was run 50 feet and 75 feet east, and in the west drift its width was well maintained. On its easterly course the ore widened out and varies from 8 to 20 feet in width and in places its full extent has not been determined, as it makes into the limestone wall, which also carries milling values.

There is fully as much ore left in the workings as has been milled, while a considerable tonnage can be mined from the surface, where the vein has broken over. This ore occurs in a well-defined contact of lime and schist, is soft and easily broken and carries a considerable quantity of iron carbonate and a small percentage of cinnabar.

Another Lease Let.

L. L. Mudgett and C. F. Wittenberg, of Tonopah, arrived this week to commence work on a lease secured by them on the Silver Pick claim of the Manhattan Consolidated Mines company. The block of ground covers the incline shaft of the old Reeves lease. This was sunk to a depth of 127 feet with considerable drifting and crosscutting and a large tonnage of ore averaging over \$30 was milled and one shipment was made which returned \$500 a ton.

There is a large amount of good ore still in the old workings, but Mudgett and Wittenberg will at once start a new shaft and have already purchased an electric hoist which is on the way to the property.

Mayflower Lease.

The Mayflower Leasing company operating a block of ground on the Mayflower claim has a shaft 125 feet deep with drifts and crosscuts in ore on three levels. Much of this ore is low grade and no defined ore shoot has yet been developed, but some payable milling ore is now being stoped for treatment. From the fact that the gulch below the Mayflower hill has produced a large amount of placer gold it is believed that a shoot of good ore will be located and prospecting for this is being continued in both this and the Ray lease.

Lease Has High Grade.

The Ferguson-Gillan-Plourd lease on the Union No. 4 claim of the

Union Extension Mining company promises to maintain its reputation as the high grade lease of the camp. The drift on the 70-foot level has been run 22 feet since work was resumed last week and is now out 72 feet. The ore for these 22 feet has averaged 30 inches in width and samples taken by Percy Nash for the company owning the claim gave an average of over \$100 a ton. This is exclusive of a streak of high grade ore. The drift will be extended until the end of this ore shoot is reached, when sinking will be resumed.

Swanson Lease Resumes.

W. S. Johnson, president of the Manhattan Earl Mining company, has granted a new lease for one year to John Swanson on that part of the Earl claim covered by the old lease in which Swanson had as partners Gilbert Ross and W. D. Lyon. Work has been resumed at the property, a pump will be installed and the sinking of the shaft will be continued. The milling of the ore on the dumps, amounting to about 1500 tons, will commence at the War Eagle mill shortly.

Jumping Jack Ore.

The ore on the Jumping Jack claim opened up by Zeb Kendall continues to maintain its value and width, assaying from \$25 to \$35 a ton across a width of nearly three feet. It has now been decided to open up the ore at depth through the main Jumping Jack shaft which is 200 feet deep. From the 80-foot level of the shaft there is a crosscut out 50 feet in the direction of this ore and it is estimated only about 60 feet of work will be required to cut the new ore body.

Big Four Shaft.

The main shaft at the Steen-Ponk-Cleala syndicate lease on the Big Four is now down 375 feet and good progress is being made despite a heavy flow of water, amounting to about 6000 gallons an hour, which is easily handled by the pumping plant. A change room for the accommodation of the miners working in the wet shaft has been erected. At the Tarash lease the shaft is down 125 feet and still carrying promising values.

Placer Outfit Steady.

Jack Barrier and Charles Ravenscroft shipped out this week about 74 ounces and eight pennyweights of gold, the result of two week's washing at their drift placer claim. The

men are operating the Morning Star claim at Central and have done considerable drifting and crosscutting on four parallel channels and now seem destined to make a stake as the gravel is running from \$7 to \$10 a yard.

Green-Sly Lease.

At the Green-Sly lease on the Union No. 2 claim the shaft is 50 feet deep and has cut a vein two feet wide, carrying fair values. A whim has been set up this week and in grading for this another ore body was uncovered running nearly at right angles to the first vein. It is intended to drift from the bottom of the shaft to the point of intersection of the two ore bodies.

Seeking Location.

Dr. J. L. Garner returned from Tonopah this week, having secured a lease on a part of the Silver Pick claim owned by the Manhattan Consolidated Mines company. The lease covers the company's main shaft but requires the sinking of a new shaft and the sampling and assaying of the surface ore on different parts of the lease is now being conducted to determine the best location for the new shaft.

War Eagle Mill.

The War Eagle mill finished the milling of 390 tons of ore from the White Caps lease on Wednesday and then commencing treating a small lot of ore from the Dexter Consolidated lease, after which the ore from the Swanson lease on the Earl claim will be run, and this will most probably be followed by the Bath brothers, ore for their lease on Union No. 2.

Lease Has Good Values.

The McAvoy lease on the Tip-Top claim of the Seyler-Humphrey Mining company is still in good ore. The shaft is now 45 feet deep, the ore being the full width of the shaft, neither wall having been struck. The ore is averaging about \$30 a ton, the fine screenings assaying from \$38 to \$50 a ton.

Bullion Being Shipped.

The Tonopah Banking Corporation of Tonopah received last week nearly \$10,000 in gold bullion from the Manhattan mines. This week the production from the White Caps and Dexter Con. leases will bring the output up to over \$22,000 and the production of ore from many leases is steadily increasing.

Dexter Con.

The Dexter Consolidated Leasing company is now milling ore at the War Eagle mill, taken from the upper levels of the lease on the Union No. 9 claim. The flow of water on the 500 level has so greatly increased that a larger pump has been ordered and is expected at the mine in a few days.

McNeill Lease Has Ore.

A small body of ore has been opened up on the McNeill lease on Union No. 4 claim. This body of ore is from 8 to 9 feet wide, assaying from \$18 to \$25 a ton and as it will be treated at the 10-stamp mill on the lease it will yield a good profit to the leasers.

COAST LEAGUE.

Standing of the Clubs.

Clubs—	Wen.	Lost.	Per.
Portland	67	54	.554
Vernon	70	58	.547
Oakland	68	54	.514
San Francisco	64	65	.493
Sacramento	61	65	.484
Los Angeles	53	77	.408

At Los Angeles—Los Angeles, 10; Vernon, 9.

Second game: Vernon, 9; Los Angeles, 4.

At San Francisco—San Francisco, 2; Portland, 6.

Second game: San Francisco, 6; Portland, 1.

At Sacramento—Sacramento, 5; Oakland, 0.

Second game: Sacramento, 0; Oakland, 3.

OLD-TIMERS FAST

PASSING TO THE BEYOND

W. R. James, a well-known and highly respected citizen of the Comstock, died last evening about 10 o'clock at his home in this city after an illness covering a long period. Mr. James had resided in Gold Hill and this city for many years and was an honored and upright man of strict integrity. He had been in failing health for a long time. He was a native of Pembroke, England, aged about 74 years, and leaves a widow, two daughters, Mrs. T. Verron and Mrs. E. Kennedy, and a son, Darwin James, all of whom were at his bedside when the end came. He was a member of Virginia lodge, I. O. O. F., and an honorary member of the Miners' union.—Virginia City Chronicle.

Pioneer Dies in California.

Charles W. Foster passed away at the home of Ben Bath on Butte Creek, Lassen county, Cal., July 28th, at the age of 85 years. For many years he worked in the mines of Virginia City and Bodie, where he bought and sold mining stocks and worked as an engineer.

AUGUST 21 WILL BE

GREAT NEVADA DAY

Governor Oddie was notified yesterday by the committee in charge of the Astoria centennial celebration which starts at Astoria next week, that August 21 has been set aside as Nevada Day at the celebration. The governor intends to be present on that date and lend a hand in making the day one that will be a credit to Nevada. The celebration is one of the biggest events of its kind yet to be held on the coast.—Gazette.

HOUSE APPOINTMENT

BILL MUST GO BACK

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—The amended house congressional apportionment bill, providing that after March 3, 1913, the house shall consist of 433 members, exclusive of Arizona and New Mexico, an increase of 42 over the present membership, was passed by the senate yesterday, without roll-call.

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